

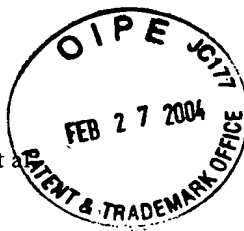
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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Francesco ROSSI, et al

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FOR: REINFORCING FIBRE MATERIAL FOR BITUMINOUS AGGREGATES, METHOD FOR PRODUCING SAME AND USE



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AMENDMENT

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Responsive to the Office Action dated September 9, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendment and remarks.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Discussion of the Amendment begins on page 7 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

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DISCUSSION OF THE AMENDMENT

The Title has been amended to coincide with the Title on the Declaration.

All the claims have been cancelled¹ and replaced with new Claims 22-41. Claims 22-37 are supported by Claims 1-16, respectively, but eliminate multiple dependency and parenthetical expressions. Claims 38 and 39 are supported by Claim 20. Claim 40 is supported by combining Claims 1 and 9. Finally, Claim 41 is supported by Claim 1, and the specification at page 6, lines 10-19.

No new matter has been added by the above amendment. Claims 22-41 are now pending in the application.

¹ The canceled claims refer to the claims in the application resulting from the Amendment filed in response to the International Preliminary Examination Report (IPER) in connection with the corresponding international application.